to the guilty besides checking the crimes against women and if so, what steps have been taken so far in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) to (c) A statement showing Statewise and Union Territory-wise comparative figures of crimes against women for the years 1985 and 1986 is attached [See Appendix CXLII, Annexure No. 80].

(d) Amendments have been made in the Indian Penal Code, Criminal Procedure Code and the Indian Evidence Act to make the law regarding offences against women stringent. The Dowry Prohibition Act 1961 has also been amended in 1984 and 1986 to prescribe deterrent punishment for dowry offences.

Threat from terrorist groups of North-Eastern States

1584. SHRI J P GOYAL:
SHRI SHARAD YADAV :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in his note submitted to the Central Government recently by the Director General of Assam Police a major joint offensive by the terrorists groups of Assam, Nagaland and Manipur in the North-Eastern region has been apprehended;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (c) No such note has been received in this Ministry.

Thefts/pilferage in railway trains around Gwalior

1585. DR. H. P. SHARMA :
DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of thefts and pilferages in respect of accompanied luggages in running trains at or around Gwalior has increased during the past three months, i.e. January to March, 1987; and

(b) if so, the relevant figures in this regard for the preceding two quarters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Maintenance of law and order and checking of crimes on running trains is the responsibility of Government Railway Police, which is under the control of State Governments/Union Territory Administrations.

The question concerns the State Government.

विदेशी मिशनरियों की गतिविधियां

1586. **श्री कैलाशपति मिश्र :** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मिस जोहन्ना नामक एक विदेशी मिशनरी की गतिविधियां आपत्तिजनक हैं और पहले वह महाराष्ट्र में कार्यशील थी, परन्तु जब वहां की सरकार द्वारा उसके विरुद्ध जांच आरम्भ की गई तो वह मध्य प्रदेश में घुस आयी है ;

(ख) क्या उनके मंत्रालय ने राष्ट्रमंडलीय तथा गैर-राष्ट्रमंडलीय देशों के विदेशी मिशनरियों के भारत में ठहरने

के संबंध में नियमों में छूट दिये जाने के बारे में कोई आदेश जारी किए हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम) : (क) सरकार को मध्य प्रदेश राज्य सरकार से उसके विरुद्ध कुछ प्रतिकूल रिपोर्ट प्राप्त हुई हैं और महाराष्ट्र तथा मध्य प्रदेश राज्य सरकारों से इस मामले में आगे पूछताछ की जा रही है।

(ख) जी नहीं, श्रीमन् !

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Tension on Jammu border

1587. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there was tension on the Jammu border as a result of massing troops across the border line by Pakistan during the last week of February and first half of March during this year;

(b) whether it is a fact that the civil population suffered a heavy loss as a result thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the State Government has announced in the Assembly that the Centre is being requested to give compensation to the sufferers; and

(d) if so, what is the response from the Central Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) to (d) The information is being collected from the Government of Jammu and Kashmir and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Complaints regarding competition among tea exporters

1588. SHRI KAPIL VERMA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to State :

(a) whether Government have taken any action on complaints that certain tea exporters indulged in unfair competition among themselves by undercutting export prices; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the complaints received and what action has been taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) At the invitation of the Tea Board a delegation from Iran visited India during June-July, 1986. During their visit the delegation met various exporters and held direct negotiations with them for purchase of bulk and packet tea. Under the provisions of Tea (Regulation of Export Licensing) Order, 1984 contracts for export of bulk tea are required to be registered with Tea Board within 11 days from date of such contracts. For packet tea exporters are required to obtain shipment licences from the Tea Board. There is no minimum export price for export of tea. No tea has been exported below the contracted price against the contract till March, 1987 with the Government Trading Corporation of Iran.

Expulsion of Kenyan Students suspected of AIDS

1589. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH:
SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have recently expelled from the country some Kenyan students suspected